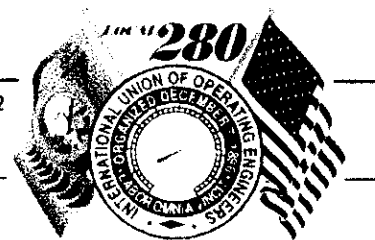


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Ref: B-Reactor

Dear Dennis,

The Tri-City Railroad Company supports the preferred interim removal action of Hazardous Mitigation for Public Access to the B Reactor. We strongly support that the public is permitted continued access to the reactor.

The Tri-City Railroad has submitted a proposal to the Department of Energy, to enter into an operating and maintenance agreement, the Hanford Rail Line. Included in this proposal is our desire to offer to the public, the service of tour trains into the site. We would purchase the passenger cars, such as, dining, observatory, caboose, and etc., as needed to transport the public to the B Reactor site.

We feel it is to the best interest of all that the B Reactor is accessible to the public due to the history that it represents to our country, and to the world.

Sincerely,

David A. Larch
 General Manager
 Tri-City Railroad Co.

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